

[12th September 1959]

*Women Police Force.*

\* Q.—SRI S. LAZAR :

SRI A. A. RASHEED :

SRI P. G. MANICKAM :

SRI K. SATTANATHA KARAYALAR :

} Will the

Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased to state—

(a) the stage at which the proposal to recruit women police force now stands; and

(b) the nature of duties to be entrusted to the women police force?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (a) Recruitment to women police has not yet been made.

(b) (i) Patrolling areas where undesirable women may frequent;

(ii) rescue of young girls found homeless and in danger of becoming prostitutes;

(iii) accompanying police on Immoral Traffic Act raids;

(iv) escorting to Court and guarding in Court female prisoners;

(v) escorting remand and female undertrial prisoners;

(vi) assisting investigating officers and questioning complainants in cases, such as assaults on women accused and women and child witnesses;

(vii) patrolling large railway stations and meeting trains to deal with, control and assist women passengers;

(viii) dealing with stray children;

(ix) bundobust duties at large gatherings where women congregate.

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SRI K. VINAYAKAM :

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Minister for Home be pleased to state—

(a) whether applications for the recruitment of women police have been called for;

(b) the prescribed qualifications; and

(c) the period and nature of training?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) & (c) A statement<sup>a</sup> is placed on the table of the House.

SRI S. LAZAR : What the Government propose to do, now that there were only a few applicants and even they had not been found suitable for the posts, Sir?